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SENATE BILL 3289 By Fowler

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-10-304, relative to judicial recusal in certain court proceedings.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-10-304, is amended by adding a new subsection thereto, as follows:

(k) Unless otherwise prohibited by law or rule of the supreme court, judges may recuse themselves or may abstain from any court proceeding under this section without a petition from the minor or a person on behalf of the minor and such recusal or abstention may be exercised without the giving of a ground or reason for such recusal or abstention.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

it.